

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

City of Duluth

PUBLIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

2013 Application Guidelines

PROGRAM GOAL

To provide grant funds to make site improvements to facilities which serve the public in areas where more than 51% of the residents have low to moderate incomes or whose clientele meet the 51% low-to-moderate income guidelines. Certain projects, such as special assessments, must provide a direct benefit to clientele who have low to moderate incomes.

ELIGIBLE PROGRAM APPLICANTS

Applicant must be a nonprofit organization or governmental unit (public department).

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

Project properties must be either publicly owned or traditionally provided by the government, or owned by a nonprofit, and operated so as to be open to the general public. An application for a project which is publicly owned must have submitted and had approved a Public Facility Project Request Application Form to the City of Duluth Public Facilities before applying for CDBG funds. The facility must be made available to the general public and must be open for use by the general public during all normal hours of operation.

Activities not fundable under this category:

Operation or maintenance of public facilities/improvements
Purchase of construction equipment or furnishings
New construction of public housing

Types of Activities fundable under this category:

Special Assessments
Acquisition (including long term leases for periods of 15 years or more)
Demolition
Construction
Installation of utilities
Reconstruction
Rehabilitation (including removal of architectural barriers to accessibility)

LOCAL REQUIREMENTS

For projects not on City-owned property there is a 25% match required. Only improvements to non-City owned neighborhood service facilities will be considered until a long range facility plan is implemented by the City.

Please contact the following staff person regarding questions on the application:

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